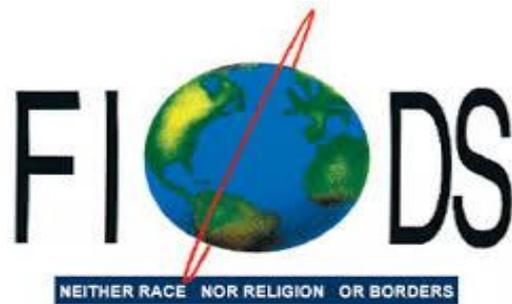


# *SAVE THE DATE!*



We are pleased to announce the forthcoming

**10<sup>th</sup> International Seminar**

**Blood donation and Patient Blood Management**

*an alliance for the sake of patients*

27<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> October 2017

**Castelbrando**

*Cison di Valmarino (Treviso)*

*Italy*

We are thrilled to announce the forthcoming **10<sup>th</sup> International Seminar of the International Federation of Blood Donor Organizations (FIODS/IFBDO)** which will be held in collaboration with the Italian National Blood Centre, National Institute of Health, in Castelbrando, Cison di Valmarino (90 Km far from Venice), Italy, on **October 27-28, 2017**. The venue is the enchanting castle of Castelbrando, a splendid example of the historical and artistic restoration of one of the largest castles in Europe (<http://www.hotelcastelbrando.com/en>).

The Organizing Committee and the Scientific Committee of the Seminar, headed by Gian Franco Massaro and Giuliano Grazzini, respectively, have thought of this meeting as a very special event, both for the suggestive location and for the scientific program. The scientific program is focused on *Blood Donation and Patient Blood Management*, in the view that these two apparently distant activities may establish a far-reaching strategic alliance for the sake of patients. For this purpose, blood donors, transfusion medicine professionals, as well as regional and national institutions are expected to reach a common understanding and enhance cooperation. The scientific themes and their common grounds and potential synergies will be dealt with by an outstanding team of international speakers, and a roundtable on the response of blood donor organizations to the evolution of blood component and plasma for manufacturing demand will conclude the Seminar, in order to launch final take-home messages.

Please be sure to mark your agendas and plan to participate in this stimulating international Seminar, to update your knowledge and take advantage of the unique atmosphere of Castelbrando castle.

In the next weeks, please visit the website <http://www.fiods-ifbdo.org/events> for a detailed program of the Seminar and information on participation.

We look forward to meeting you in Castelbrando!

Gian Franco Massaro  
President of FIODS/IFBDO